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1. NORTHERN AFFAIRS MINISTER WARREN ALLMAND CONFIRMED
IN A RECENTLY ISSUED PRESS RELEASE THAT NORTHERN
CANADIAN RESIDENTS AND UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES WILL
BE CONSULTED BEFORE ANY FURTHER DRILLING IN THE BEAUFORT
SEA IS PERMITTED. A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF DOME
PETROLEUM'S DRILLING ACTIVITIES THIS SUMMER WILL BE
MADE PUBLIC IN THE SPRING. MR. ALLMAND SAID HE WAS OUTLINING
THE STATUS OF DRILLING ACTIVITIES IN THE BEAUFORT SEA
BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE RUMORS AND MISINFORMATION.

2. BEFORE LEAVING THE AREA, DOME PLUGGED AND ABANDONED
ONE DEEP WELL, AND PLUGGED AND SUSPENDED OPERATIONS
AT THE OTHER. THE DOME GULF ET AL TINGIMIARK K-91
EXPLORATION WELL DEVELOPED A GAS WATER FLOW: IT IS
NOW IN A SUSPENDED CONDITION AND COULD BE
RE-ENTERED DURING THE 1977 DRILLING SEASON.
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THE HUNT-DOME KOPANOAR D-14 WELL DEVELOPED A
WATER FLOW WHICH NATURAL PROCESSES ESSENTIALLY
STOPPED.

3. EMBASSY POUCHING COPY OF PRESS RELEASE TO
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